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Sunday Morning, October 15, 1916.

### WILSON DAY.

In at least ten thousand communities, in all parts of the United States, from ten to twelve million voters will celebrate October 28 as Woodrow Wilson Day. The streets will be decorated and, in many cases, special stands built for the occasion. There will be music, parades and speaking, and, literally, the slogan "Peace With Honor, Prosperity, Preparedness," will echo through the land from Maine to California. From every rostrum the principal speaker will read a special message from President Wilson.

Plans for this outpouring of the people and demonstration of patriotic pride in the President's good work have just been completed by the Democratic National Committee. A response is confidently expected that will eliminate any lingering doubt of his re-election.

Wilson Day is to be the culmination of the rousing and nation-wide canvass of the country—of every State, county and township—which will be conducted throughout the month.

As the President stated in his speech to the Young Men's Democratic League on September 30, the managers of his campaign believe that the vindication of the Democratic Party at the polls will be complete if the voting public is fully informed about its record of progressive achievement during the last three and a half years. This is the end now being sought by all national speakers, and Wilson Day will furnish the climax not only for giving credit due to the President for his good works but for placing Woodrow Wilson's deeds in vivid contrast with Candidate Hughes' words.

The plans for Wilson Day are set forth in detail in a letter which has been sent to all State and County Democratic Chairmen and to the officers of all organizations co-operating in Wilson's behalf.

"Saturday, October 28th," the letter reads, "has been set aside by our National Committee as Wilson Day. This day will be observed by the people all over the United States as a day upon which they will pay their respects to the President of the United States and show their appreciation of the great public that he has rendered his country."

"On that day President Wilson is to send a message to his countrymen which is to be read in every country, city, town and hamlet in the land. This message is to be a proclamation of the New Freedom, and is to be read with all the solemnity of the occasion by some prominent person appointed by the local committee."

"A copy of this message will be sent to you in sufficient time to reach the different organizations in your county which are to hold a demonstration to celebrate this day. All places of business, buildings, residences, homes, etc., will display American flags, bunting, etc."

Wilson Day will be ten days before election and as it will be on Saturday it will be a half holiday in most communities. The names of organizations intending to celebrate the day should be sent to "Director, Wilson Day Celebration, Democratic National Committee, 30 East 42d Street, New York City." Copies of the message from the President will then be mailed. County Chairmen will hear from their State Chairmen about the matter, but co-operation with the National Committee is desired.

That Los Angeles scientist who has invented "the perfect human food," combining in small compass, at low cost, a product that suffices for all gastronomic needs, shouldn't be surprised because the public is apathetic about it. The manna that fell from heaven was just such a food; and yet the Children of Israel grumbled and yearned for the flesh-pots and the melons and cucumbers of Egypt.

After General Goethals gets the railroad labor problem solved and the Mississippi dammed and channeled and the southern swamps drained and the western deserts irrigated, he might be turned loose to recruit the army and navy up to the standard established by the new preparedness measures. Enlisting soldiers and sailors is certainly a man-size job in this non-militaristic country.

Having first expurgated and then canned their movie films, the Republican National Committee should now transfuse or somehow inject into the speeches of its standard-bearer some sort of an intelligible constructive program that will appeal to a thinking and intelligent electorate.

### THE SILENT VOTE.

The politicians are all at sea. The wisecracks may say that they know what is going to happen in the fall election, but they are bluffing. The leaders and experts on both sides are merely prophesying, as usual, what they want to happen. As to the actual result of the vote on November 7th, the politicians know probably less than the ordinary citizen. Some of them are blinded by the game they are playing, carried away by their hopes or fears and deceived by their environment. The old, experienced ones are not fooled, but puzzled—puzzled by the "silent vote."

That vote is of comparatively recent origin. Middle-aged voters can remember a time when it was easy to tell how almost any citizen would cast his ballot. Men fell definitely into the list of Republicans or Democrats, and stayed there. Each party worked to "get out its vote", and as a rule there wasn't much change in any community except in so far as one party "got out" its voters more effectually than the other. The stay-at-homes negatively decided the elections.

Now it isn't the indifferent element that decides them; it's the intensely interested element that figures out men and issues for itself, then goes to the polls with quiet determination and votes independently. It's the thinking vote, the non-partisan vote, the "silent vote." Its silence means thought, conviction and calm contempt for mere party flub-dub.

Representatives of one of the big parties estimate that this silent vote in the present campaign amounts to as much as 50 per cent of the whole electorate. They find in their test polls in various parts of the country that half the voters are not telling anybody how they intend to vote.

Many of those citizens doubtless keep silent because, in the new pride of political independence, they consider that it's no party's business how they are going to vote. Many of them, possibly the majority, do not know. They have not yet made their decision. But they will know before election day, trust them for that.

The growth of this silent citizenship is perhaps the most hopeful thing in American public life. It means that our electorate is more intelligent and thoughtful than ever before, more given to weighing issues and men. It is a guarantee of better and wiser government. And it is a guarantee of cleaner, more rational politics. For that "silent vote" stands ready to judge and condemn any party that does not live up to its own best traditions or faithfully represent the aspirations of the nation.

### FOREIGN ALLIANCES.

There has been much discussion in the past two years of the possibility of a league or alliance of neutral nations to compel belligerents to respect neutral rights. It has been urged, both here and abroad, that the United States should take the lead in organizing such a league. Only a few days ago the premier of Sweden made a public statement evidently intended to invite such action.

The unofficial response of our state department was to the effect that the United States would continue adhering to its established policy, long ago laid down by Washington, of "no entangling alliances." Most Americans seem unwilling to sacrifice our traditional isolation even for so salutary a purpose as lining up the peaceful world in support of international law. It is felt that, as the strongest neutral power, it is sufficient for us to stand as the spokesman of that law, leaving the smaller neutrals to follow our example without our being in any way bound to them.

That is no doubt the wisest policy for the present. And yet it is becoming evident to most progressive thinkers that we cannot remain permanently in our isolation, that we may soon have to join our fortunes definitely with some other power or group of powers. It is well to play a lone hand while the war lasts, to avoid snafus; but after the war we shall need partners, if we are to make sure of our own future peace and the peace of the world.

A change of policy is foreshadowed in the utterances of American statesmen and writers of all parties. The idea of a league of nations to enforce peace has the support of both the big presidential candidates, and of both ex-presidents. It is a foregone conclusion that if there is any federation of powers formed to prevent war, the United States will belong to it and take an active part in it.

That, of course, will mean the entrance of the United States, for the first time in its history, into a foreign alliance. It is against precedent; but so is the world situation. It is against the letter of Washington's advice; but as President Wilson remarked the other day, Washington would probably look at the thing differently if he were alive today.

### USING UP THE ELEPHANT.

There's nothing like foresight and economy, even when it comes to naming children. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott, of Kensett, Kans., seem to have set out with a deliberate policy of conserving proper names for children. And it's just as well that they've done so, for they seem in grave danger of exhausting the supply.

In ten years of married life, nineteen boys have been born to them. The parents appear to have taken an alphabetical list of names and started right in at the beginning. Their system may be seen in the fact that ten of the boys are named respectively Abel, Abner, Adolph, Albion, Alfred, Arnold, Archer, Arthur, Ashbel and Austin. The names of the other nine are not mentioned in the news dispatch, but presumably they use up the available B's. Can it be that Mr. and Mrs. Scott intend to go clear through the alphabet on the same prolific plan?

There is one political subject which Mr. Hughes must admit requires no investigation—namely, the class of interests for which he stands. Messrs. Penrose and Smoot are his models for statesmanship, Crane and Hitchcock are his political managers, and Taft and Estabrook are his campaign speaking companions.



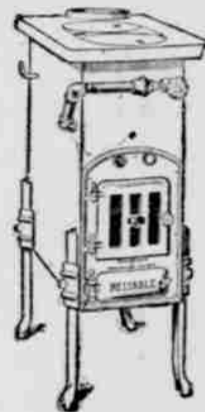
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Wins Purse of \$15,000 and Nearly Breaks Record--Aitken Is Second Only Half a Lap Behind.

(By Review Leased Wire.)

CHICAGO, Oct. 14.—Dario Resta captured the winner's share of the \$15,000 grand American purse today and went into the lead in the season competition for the 1916 American championship purse of \$15,500 by winning the 250 mile auto race here today. He failed by a small fraction to equal the new world's record of 104 miles an hour, established at the Astor Cup race at New York. Resta's time for the 250 miles was two hours, 24 minutes, 16.68 seconds, a rate of 103.9 miles an hour.

Johnny Aitken finished second, half a lap behind. Billy Chandler was burned in extinguishing a blaze of ignited gasoline. D'Alene entered the race but quit before the 125th mile. Wilcox appeared to have won third place when an accident put him out at the 248th mile, Rickenbacker finishing third. Galvin, Leads and Henderson finished next in order, while the other eight cars which crossed the finish line were several laps behind the three leaders.

Bids for four giant battle cruisers to be laid down next year will be opened at navy department Dec. 6, virtually completing work of getting huge building program authorized by Congress.

## PRINCETON ELEVEN BEATS TUFTS BY LONE FIELD GOAL

(By Review Leased Wire.)

PRINCETON, N. J., Oct. 14.—Standing on the 45 yard line in the last few minutes of playing time Dave Tibbott, a substitute Princeton back, sent a drop kick soaring between the uprights and changed what was seemingly a scoreless game into a 4 to 0 victory for Princeton over Tufts. Tibbott has been out of the game all season from injuries and would not have been called into the fray this afternoon had not several of the Princeton back field men been injured.

Princeton threatened to score on several other occasions, but in each instance were held for downs of fumbles. Princeton carried the ball down the field on straight foot ball forty yards to Tufts eight yard line in the first few minutes of play only to have Brown, a half back, fumble it. Jack Eddy, the Princeton quarterback, was the individual star.

THREE DIE FROM GAS  
LANCASTER, Ohio, Oct. 14.—A report received tonight by Coroner Peter Hugh from chemists at Columbus who examined the stomachs of the three women, Agnes and Alice Smetters and Mary Strouton, who were found dead seated in chairs at the Smetters' home here October 1, stated that no trace of poison was found in the stomachs. Officials now believe that the death of the women was caused by gas fumes from a heater with improper combustion.

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### SOIL PRODUCTS EXPO OPENS AT EL PASO

(By Review Leased Wire.)

EL PASO, Oct. 14.—The International Soil Products Exposition opened its doors to the public tonight. The opening was without ceremony, fur-

ther than the blowing of every whistle in town in welcome. Hotels are packed, and strangers are tonight searching for rooms in boarding houses and among private families. The fair will last ten days.

The International Irrigation Congress held the opening session tonight of the twenty third annual meeting.

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